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PART V

Bills introduced in the Gujarat Legislative Assembly

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The following Bill is published with the consent of the Speaker given under the proviso to rule 127A of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Rules:-

THE GUJARAT MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS' (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2025.

GUJARAT BILL NO. 19 OF 2025.

A BILL

Further to amend the Gujarat Medical Practitioners' Act, 1963.

It is hereby enacted in the Seventy-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows: -

Short title and commencement.

1. (1) This Act may be called the Gujarat Medical Practitioners' (Amendment) Act, 2025.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the *Official Gazette*, appoint.

Guj. 6 of 1964.

Amendment of section 2 of Guj. 6 of 1964.

2. In the Gujarat Medical Practitioners' Act, 1963 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act"), in section 2, in sub-section (1), after clause (c), the following clause shall be inserted, namely: -

"(ca) "Council" means the Gujarat Council of Ayurvedic and Unani Systems of Medicine established and constituted under this Act.".

Substitution of word "Board" to "Council" in Guj. 6 of 1964.

3. In the principal Act except in clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 2 and section 40, for the word "Board", wherever it occurs, the word "Council" shall be substituted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The State Government has enacted the Gujarat Medical Practitioners' Act, 1963 to consolidate and amend the law regulating the qualifications, and providing for registration, of practitioners of the Ayurvedic and Unani systems of medicine and making certain provisions relating to medical practitioners generally, in the State of Gujarat.

The Indian Medicine Central Council Act, 1970 has been repealed by the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine Act, 2020. Section 2 (r) of the said Central Act provides for the definition of State Medical Council of Indian System of Medicine constituted under any law for the time being in force in any State or Union territory for regulating the practice and registration of practitioners of Indian System of Medicine in that State or Union territory and section 18 of the said Central Act provides for the constitution of the Autonomous Boards, namely (a) the Board of Ayurveda; (b) the Board of Unani, Siddha and Sowa-Rigpa; (c) the Medical Assessment and Rating Board for Indian System of Medicine; and (d) the Board of Ethics and Registration for Indian System of Medicine.

Now, as per the instructions of the Government of India, the word "Board" can be referred to the aforesaid four Autonomous Boards only and the regulatory body of the practice and registration of Ayurvedic and Unani practitioners in the State shall be referred as the State Medical Council for Ayurvedic and Unani Systems of Medicine; and therefore, it is considered necessary to bring the suitable amendments in the Gujarat Medical Practitioners' Act, 1963 by substituting the word "Council" for the word "Board".

This Bill seeks to amend the said State Act of 1964 to achieve the aforesaid objects.

RUSHIKESH PATEL,

MEMORANDUM REGARDING DELEGATED LEGISLATION

This Bill provides for delegation of legislative power in the following respects:-

Clause 1.- Sub-clause (2) of this clause empowers the State Government to appoint, by notification in the *Official Gazette*, the date on which the Act shall come into force.

The delegation of legislative powers, as aforesaid, is necessary and is of a normal character.

Dated the 1st September, 2025. **RUSHIKESH PATEL.**

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

K. M. LALA,

Secretary to the Government of Gujarat,
Legislative and Parliamentary Affairs Department.

Gandhinagar,
Dated the 2nd September, 2025.

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